

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

The claims are listed below:

1. (Currently amended) A notebook computer with a hidden touch pad, comprising:

a main portion including a housing portion, wherein the housing portion has

an external surface,

an internal surface having a receiving portion, and

~~a flange~~ an identifier disposed on the external surface, the

~~flange~~ identifier surrounding a surface corresponding to the receiving portion;

a display connected to the main portion in a rotatable manner; and

a touch pad disposed onto the receiving portion;

wherein the receiving portion of the internal surface prevents the touch pad from being exposed to an atmosphere outside of the housing portion.

2-3. (Cancelled).

4. (Previously presented) The notebook computer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the receiving portion has a concave portion.

5. (Original) The notebook computer as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

an adhesive member adhering the touch pad to the receiving portion.

6. (Original) The notebook computer as claimed in claim 5, wherein the touch pad is closely adjacent to the receiving portion via the adhesive member, thereby eliminating any gap between the receiving portion and the touch pad.

7. (Previously presented) The notebook computer as claimed in claim 1, wherein a thickness of the receiving portion is about 0.5-0.8mm.

8. (Previously presented) The notebook computer as claimed in claim 1, wherein a difference between a thickness of the receiving portion and that of a portion, adjacent to the receiving portion, of the housing is about 0.7-1.0mm.

9. (Previously presented) The notebook computer as claimed in claim 1, wherein a ratio between a thickness of the receiving portion and a thickness of a portion, adjacent to the receiving portion, of the housing is about 1/3-1/2.

10. (Currently amended) A method for manufacturing a notebook computer with a hidden touch pad, comprising:

forming a housing having

an external surface,
an internal surface having a receiving portion, and
~~a flange~~ an identifier disposed on the external surface, the
~~flange~~ identifier surrounding a surface corresponding to the receiving
portion; and
adhering a touch pad onto the receiving portion;
wherein the receiving portion of the internal surface prevents the touch pad
from being exposed to an atmosphere outside of the housing.

11. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 10, further comprising:
providing an adhesive member, and adhering the touch pad on the receiving
portion via the adhesive member, thereby eliminating any gap therebetween.

12. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein
a thickness of the receiving portion is about 0.5-0.8mm.

13. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein
a difference between a thickness of the receiving portion and a thickness of a
portion, adjacent to the receiving portion, of the housing is about 0.7-1.0mm.

14. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein a ratio between a thickness of the receiving portion and a thickness of a portion, adjacent to the receiving portion, of the housing is about $1/3$ - $1/2$.

15. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the housing is formed by injection molding.

16. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the receiving portion further has a concave portion.

17. (New) The notebook computer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the identifier is a flange on the external surface, and the flange surrounds the surface correspond to the receiving portion.

18. (New) The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the identifier is a flange on the external surface, and the flange surrounds the surface correspond to the receiving portion.